Receipts and expenditure of the Forest Department.

189. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they will lay on the table a statement showing the annual receipts and expenditure of the Forest Department for the past five years; and

(*b*) the amount of net proceeds of each year?

Mr. R. Dhanukoti Pillai: (*a*) and (*b*) A †statement furnishing the information is laid on the table.

Revenue from the Forests.

190. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam:** Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the amount of gross revenue, expenditure and net revenue each year on account of extraction of timber from the forests during the past five years?

Mr. R. Dhanukoti Pillai: A †statement furnishing the information is laid on the table.

Income from the capture of elephants.

191. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the amount of sale proceeds of the elephants each year during the past five years;

(*b*) the annual expenditure on account of capturing of elephants;

(*c*) the annual expenditure for the feeding and protection of elephants during the past five years; and

(*d*) the amount of net income for each year?

Mr. R. Dhanukoti Pillai: A ‡statement giving the required information is appended.

Royal trees in the hills.

192. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam:** Will the Government be pleased to state whether, considering the large expenditure in connection with the extraction, transport and sale of royal trees in the hills, the net income does not work at a loss to them?

Mr. R. Dhanukoti Pillai: No.

Head clerk of the Assistant Engineer's office, Muvattupuzha.

193. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) how long it is since the Head clerk of the Assistant Engineer's office, Muvattupuzha, has been posted there; and

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†Vide apgendix X page 386.
‡Vide appendix XI page 387.

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(*b*) whether there is any special reason for his being retained there for such a long time?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott: (*a*) There are two Assistant Engineers' offices at Muvattupuzha, the Road Sub-Division and the Irrigation Sub-Division Offices. It is not known to which of these offices the question relates.

(*b*) This does not arise in view of answer to part (*a*).

Opening a Vernacular Primary School at Muttam.

194. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether, with the help and co-operation of certain officers of the Education Department, a Vernacular Primary School has been established at Muttam, with a view to prevent the opening of a public market on the 5th mile of the Todupuzha-Arakulam road for which all the preliminary steps were being taken by the people during the last two or three years;

(*b*) how long it is since this school was started and the present condition of the school building; and

(*c*) the approximate expenditure for this building?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan: (*a*) A school was opened at Muttam from the beginning of the school year 1935-36. The Department had no knowledge that there was an idea of opening a market in the vicinity.

(*b*) The school was opened on 9-10-1110 and it is at present conducted in a temporary shed.

(*c*) Rs. 228.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether this school was started after Government had given sanction for opening a market in that area?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan: The answer says that the department had no knowledge that there was an idea of opening a market in the vicinity.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: May I know whether there is not a rule to the effect that a school should not be located near a market?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan: I don't think there is any rule like that. The practice has been, as far as possible, to locate schools at a distance from markets.

Arbitration in Civil Courts.

195. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

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